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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

May 31, 1992

The Honorable Donna R. Searcy, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, N.W., Room 222 Washington, D.C. 20554

Re:

MM Docket No. 92-61

BROCKPORT, NEW YORK

Dear Ms. Searcy:

I enclose the original and proper copies of the "Motion for Protective Order", "Motion to Accept Late Filed notice of Appearance", and "Oppositionto 'Motion to Dismiss'" for filing in the above-captioned matter on behalf of Zenitram Communications, Inc.

Please send a stamped copy of the same to me in the self addressed stamped envelope.

Thank you for your kind assistance.

Sincerely,

Stanley G. Emert, Jr.

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## Before the Federal Communications Co

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In re:

Applications of ) MM Docket No. 92-61

LRB BROADCASTING, INC. ) File no. BPH-901218MI

DAVID WOLFE ) File No. BPH-901219MI

ZENITRAM COMMUNICATIONS, INC. ) File No. BPH-901220MG

For Construction Permit for a new FM Station in Brockport, New York

To: The Honorable Richard Sippel Administrative Law Judge

## OPPOSITION TO "JOINT MOTION TO DISMISS APPLICATION"

Zenitram Communications, Inc. ("Zenitram"), by and through counsel, for its opposition to the joint motion to dismiss filed by, hereby shows:

- 1. The moving applicants seek to have Zenitram's application dismissed on the basis that a "Notice of Appearance" was not filed by May 4, 1992, by Zenitram. As the applicant has shown in its "Report" previously filed, Zenitram submitted its post hearing Notice within ample time to the courier for delivery, with instructions for delivery by 5:30 p.m. Not only did the courier not timely deliver the notice, but then it held the notice notifying Zenitram's counsel by mail nearly two (2) weeks later! Additionally, and inexplicably, the notice was held by the courier at the airport until further instructions were received.
- 2. On July 15, 1991, Zenitram paid its hearing fee and filed a Notice of Appearance. A copy of that pleading is attached as Exhibit 1 hereto. Zenitram served

its post hearing notice upon other counsel, and has filed other matters in this cause.

The moving applicants indicated in their motion that Zenitram did not file a motion for

acceptance of the late filed notice. That is correct because Zenitram did not know it

was late filed. Such a motion has been simultaneously filed, however.

3. It is without question that the policy of the Commission is for there to be

competition for selection of broadcast permittees. This is in the best interest of the

public to assure that the most qualified applicant is chosen to serve the citizens. To

adopt the moving applicants' position would be to effectively reduce the citizens'

opportunities from three (3) applicants to two (2), and not necessarily serve the public

interest. The rule (1.221) is not so inflexible that would mandate dismissal of

Zenitram's application in this situation. It is significant that there has been no change in

the relevant language of that rule since the Commission's fee program was initiated.

The key point is that Zenitram paid its hearing fee in the amount of \$6,760.00 in the

appropriate time.

4. The motion should be denied. Zenitram timely paid its fee, and has

shown its evidence of participation in the matter. Based on the foregoing, Zenitram

requests the motion to dismiss be DENIED.

Zenitram Communications, Inc.

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Its Attorney

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing "Opposition to Joint Motion to Dismiss" has been sent by prepaid United States mail, first class, by placing the same in United State mailbox on the 31st day of May, 1992, to the following:

The Honorable Richard Sippel Federal Communications Commission 2000 L Street N.W. Washington D.C. 20554

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